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Speakers Will Discuss Social Discrimination

Kranitz To Present Highlights Of Visit To Israel

Oscar Cohen, national program director of the A.D.L., and Stella Counselbaum, human relations and education consultant of the Midwest Regional Office of the A.D.L.,



Mrs. Stella Counselbaum

will be the featured speakers at a program sponsored by the Missouri Lodge No. 22 in conjunction with the A.D.L. Council of St. Louis.

Regional JWB Conference Here

The Midwest Section of the National Jewish Welfare Board held its regional Board of Governors meeting and committee meeting at Hotel Chase from November 12 to 14. Topics under discussion included health and physical education, inter-center activities, building planning, developments in the Jewish center field, the role of the JWB, and others. A detailed report will be featured in the Jewish Star next week.

Fashion Show At J.C.R.S. Birthday Party

The St. Louis Women's Auxiliary of the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society are celebrating their 48th Birthday Luncheon Monday, Nov. 22, at 12:00 noon at the Harris Hall Shaare Emeth Temple. Dr. Jerome S. Leon, Medical Director and Superintendent of the J.C.R.S. Hospital will be their guest.

The afternoon program will feature "A Fashion of Furs" by Lepert Roos with Raymond Wilkerson as commentator. Mrs. Abert Davis will conduct the music. Choreographer Dick Holden, instructor at the Westchester School of Ballet who has danced at the Metropolitan Opera, Radio City Music Hall, and the Municipal Opera here in St. Louis will be on the program. Other dancers participating are Georgia Dunlop, Doris Goldman and Evelyn Ebel. Mrs. Robert Hutkin will be the vocalist.

The J.C.R.S. models will be Mrs. Marvin Gelber, Mrs. Bernard Gerchen, Mrs. Harold Gold, Mrs. Jules Greenblatt, Mrs. Joseph Gorden, Mrs. Harold Henrich, Mrs. Earl Kessler, Mrs. Leo Lion, Mrs. Robert Levinsohn, Mrs. Nate Rosenblum and Mrs. Sam Stern.

They will speak of patterns of social discrimination on Wednesday, Nov. 17, at the Kings-Way Hotel, 8:30 p. m. There will be no admission charge.

At the same meeting Louis Kranitz of St. Joseph, Mo., will present highlights of his visit to Israel. Kranitz is the treasurer of B'nai B'rith District Grand Lodge No. 2.

"We expect a large attendance at this affair," stressed Lester M. Gallant, program chairman of Missouri Lodge No. 22, "as it is one of the outstanding presentations of the season." The reports by Mr. Cohen and Mrs. Counselbaum will be on factual incidents, how A.D.L. dealt with and resolved such incidents.

Oscar Cohen, born in Canada, served previously as the executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress. Later he assumed the directorship of the Detroit Jewish Community Council. Cohen became associated with the Anti-Defamation League in April 1949. As director of the Program Division, he is responsible for the publications of materials and the development of techniques and research in the education of intergroup prejudice.

Prior to Mrs. Counselbaum's work with the A.D.L., she was program director for the Midwest Area of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. In 1947 she was a delegate to the first Human Relations Workshop called by the International Council of Christians and Jews in Switzerland. Among many others she is also a member of the National Council of Negro Women, which cited her in 1948 for outstanding accomplishments. Mrs. Counselbaum received an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at Bethune-Cookman College, Florida, for her outstanding work in race relations and human understanding."



OSCAR COHEN

Elect Kranzberg New President

Meyer Kranzberg was elected president at the annual meeting of the B'nai Amoona Men's Club last Monday. The officers elected for the coming year are: Harry Lander, Nelson Gould, and Robert Mass, vice-presidents; Isaac Blerman, treasurer; I. W. Rubin, secretary; I. Mathes and S. Barney Spitzer, honorary presidents; the entire Board of Trustees was re-elected with the addition of Sol Mack and Joe Goldfarb to the Board. Bert Grossman was appointed executive director.

SENATOR MORSE AT LIBERAL FORUM SUNDAY

Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon, Independent, will take the floor on the national political scene, Sunday, November 21, as the first speaker in the Liberal Forum at the YMHA. His subject will be "National Life."

Other speakers in the 1954-55 season are Walt Kelly (Dec. 19), Justice Douglas (Jan. 22), Professor Henry Steele Commager (Mar. 6), and Robert St. John (Mar. 20).

Season tickets may be purchased from the YMHA-YWHA at 724 Union (at Enright), FOrest 7-7050.

DAVEY "NOSE" BOLD AT FATHER'S NIGHT

Davey "Nose" Bold will be the main attraction of "Father's Night," presented by the Parent-Teachers Hebrew Organization of Agudath Achim Synagogue, Ninth and Pennsylvania, East St. Louis, November 21, 7:30 p. m.

JWV All-Star Show, Dance At Kiel, Sat.

The Jewish War Veterans of St. Louis are holding its first annual All-Star Show and Dance, Saturday evening, November 20 at 9:00 p. m. in the Convention Hall at Kiel Auditorium. The purpose of this affair is to raise funds for their Americanism program, Veteran's Welfare, and hospital service.

The entertainment will consist of a two-hour show featuring Jan Murray and Dagmar, and other acts. Bonny Ross and his twenty-piece orchestra will play for the

EXPERTS HIT NEGLECT OF THE MENTALLY ILL

The St. Louis State Hospital for the mentally ill is 45 per cent overcrowded and the staff is definitely underpaid and short of qualified personnel, stated Dr. Louis Kolker, superintendent of the St. Louis State Hospital, at a panel discussion of the St. Louis section of the National Council of Jewish Women last Monday.

The discussion "Is the Care of Our Mentally Ill Still Missouri's Sore Spot?" featured a panel of experts, Mrs. Virginia Brungard, director of public welfare for St. Louis; A. M. Spradling, Jr., of Cape Girardeau, state senator, and Dr. Louis Kolker. Mrs. Carl Heifetz

was moderator for the Council questioners: Mrs. Hyman Senturia, Mrs. Bernard Rice, and Mrs. Martin Hartz.

Lack of funds to properly care for the mentally ill was stressed by Dr. Kolker, who cited figures that Missouri spends an average of \$2.04 per day, while the Veterans Administration spends an average of \$7 to \$8.50 per day, per patient. The American Psychiatric Association recommends a minimum of \$5 per day.

Psychotic children, unless violent, have no facilities to be treated in St. Louis, pointed out Mrs. Brungard. Senator Spradling felt that a better trained and increased staff would increase the cure rate considerably. "Overcrowding can best be taken care of by curing these people and sending them home."

Great concern was expressed by all the panel experts in the increasing number of patients over 50 years of age, as they now comprise 30 per cent of the mental hospital population. Interest is also growing in areas of establishing more out-patient clinics especially for rural areas, and in the line of preventive medicine and programs to acquaint teachers with good mental hygiene. Dr. Kolker pointed out that volunteers are essential to the hospitals functioning.

In response to a question as to what individuals can do to help, Senator Spradling said, "There isn't a soul in these mental institutions who can vote." Thus, it is up to interested citizens to inform their legislators that they are ready and willing to pay the taxes necessary to improve the care of mental illness in Missouri. The public must lose its apathy and force the legislature to appropriate the necessary money.

Program chairman, Mrs. Leonard Friedman, announced that the December 13 meeting of the Council would feature "Integration in Action" with a mixed choir of Council members and the Sumner High School under the direction of Kenneth Billups, Sumner Choir Director.

Expert On Islamic Culture At Rally

Rabbi Aaron Decter will address the second Histadrut Rally at Tpheris Israel, 6912 Delmar, on Thursday, November 18, at 8:30 p. m. Rabbi Decter just returned from Israel.



Judith Chalfin

He is an expert on Islamic culture and on the political problems and potentials of the Middle East. The rally will be dedicated to the Farband Labor Zionist Order.

A contributor to periodicals, such as the Protestant Magazine and the Boston Jewish Advocate, he also was a delegate to the World Zionist Congress in 1939 and has lectured extensively. His subject this Thurs-

day will be "What are the Possibilities of Peace in the Middle East."

Judith Chalfin, a young singer who was the soloist at the Edward G. Robinson Bond Rally, will be the guest soloist and render a number of Israeli songs.

There will be no solicitations or admission charge at the rally, at which solicitors will bring in their returns from cards which they are urged to cover by Jack Mitchell.



Mrs. Morris Shenker, chairman of arrangements committee; Edward Dowd, St. Louis Circuit Attorney, and Mrs. Max Sahniker, president of the Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of St. Louis, at the first of the Service Series Courses, on Tuesday, Nov. 9, at which Dowd discussed the Fifth Amendment.

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SPEAK AT COUNCIL LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY

Father Prafford P. Maher, S. J., director of St. Louis University Department of Education will talk on alleviating inter-group tensions at a luncheon at 12:30 p. m., Wednesday, November 17, Victorian Club West, 7800 Clayton Road.

The luncheon is being held by the education department of the St. Louis Section of the National Council of Jewish Women. Father Maher was star of the television series, "Adventures in Understanding," last year. Reservations may be obtained by mailing a check for \$2.00 to Council office, 724 N. Union or by phoning FO. 1-6821.

U. J. A. Three-Day Annual Conference To Set 1955 Goal

48 States Will Be Represented By 1,200 Delegates in New York.

More than twelve hundred delegates will be called on to set the irreducible amount American Jews should seek to raise through the 1955 United Jewish Appeal for Israel's settlement and aid to distressed Jews in Europe and North Africa, at UJA's Annual National Conference, December 10, 11 and 12 at the Waldorf Astoria in New York, it was made known this week.

Two factors which will influence the decision of the delegates as to the sum to be sought through the UJA's seventeenth nationwide drive which starts January 1, on behalf of the United Israel Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee and other constituent bodies, are the urgent need to speed Jewish emigration from tension-ridden North Africa, and the strain the absorption of large numbers of these newcomers would place on Israel's economy.

In a letter to top American Jewish communal leaders sent this week from Jerusalem, where they are heading a 35-man UJA Study Mission, Edward M. M. Warburg, General Chairman of the UJA and Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Executive Vice-Chairman, advised that "while there is time," Israel's leaders have decided that "30,000 Jews from Tunisia and Morocco must be brought out promptly."

Jo Ann Roudman To Wed Leighton Nieman In January

The engagement and forthcoming January wedding of Miss Jo Ann Roudman and Leighton H. Nieman was announced recently by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Morris Roudman, 6278 Cates Ave., at an informal party.

Miss Roudman, an alumna of University City High School, attended the University of Missouri where she became a member Phi Sigma Sigma sorority. Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nieman, 5812 Kennerly Ave., graduated from Soldan-Blewett High School and served three years with the Air Force.

RABBI ISSERMAN TO LECTURE

Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman of Temple Israel has been named as a speaker in a series of Sunday morning lectures at Washington Hebrew Congregation.

Participants in the lectures, the general theme of which will be "Man's Opportunities and Responsibilities Under Freedom," will include United States Senator Herbert H. Lehman, New York, and Rear Adm. Lewis L. Strauss, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, and a number of other lay and spiritual leaders.

BRANDEIS BEATS BRIDGEPORT, 40-0

WALTHAM, Mass. — Dee Tyson and Tommy Egan set a rapid pace today in leading Brandeis University to a 40-0 triumph over Bridgeport.

The score was the highest in the short football history of Brandeis. Tyson, a right halfback, scored three of his team's six touchdowns and Egan, a quarterback, threw three scoring passes, one to Tyson. Egan completed thirteen of fourteen passes for 201 yards, even though he played less than half the contest.

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T. I. Young Adults To Install Ben Wallerstein As President

The young adult group of Temple Israel will hold an installation dance of newly elected officers on Sunday evening, November 21. They will be formally installed by Dr. Sam Rosenkranz, director of education and youth activities at Temple Israel, following a dinner at 6:00 p. m. in the Rabbi Harrison Auditorium, Temple Israel House.

Officers are: Ben Wallerstein, president; Zena Boyers, vice-president; Al Haffner, treasurer; Barbara Weinberg, recording secretary; Ruth Levin, corresponding secretary; Natalie Weinberg, assistant corresponding secretary; Clarice Lynford, historian; Jim Bernstein, sergeant-at-arms; and Sam Fisher, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

Following the dinner Will Britt's orchestra will play for dancing from 8:00 to 12:00 p. m. Admission to the dance is \$1.00 per person. The public is invited.

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Rabbis Isserman, Jacobs To Address Conference Of Jewish Organizations

Rabbis Ferdinand Isserman and Robert Jacobs will discuss the two-day Tercentenary Celebration at the meeting of the Conference of Jewish Organizations, Thursday, November 18, at the YMHA.

The nominating committee will present its slate of officers for 1955-1956. Refreshments will be served at 9:30 and the business meeting will begin at 10:00 a. m.

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GALA CELEBRATION TO COMMEMORATE 75 YEARS OF SERVICE

U. H. Ladies' Aid Society To Have Luncheon To- day Noon.

The United Hebrew Temple Ladies' Aid Society luncheon today noon, will celebrate 75 years of service to the Jewish community. The membership of the congregation has been invited to participate in the program, written by the program committee, Mrs. Joe Goldstein and Mrs. M. Colodish, and their membership chairman and vice-president Mrs. Irvin Friedman. Original songs and material will be presented.

The United Hebrew Temple Ladies' Aid was the first organized group of women of a reformed Jewish house of worship West of the Mississippi. Their work embraces a three-fold program: service to the Temple, service to their home and families; and service to the community.

The society aids the children of the religious school and sponsors the Temple's youth group. The Tuesday Sewing Circle—which meets regularly irrespective of weather conditions—works for the American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, the Jewish Sanatorium of Fee Fee Road, and Hadassah. Other contributions by the society include work for the St. Louis Training School, the Board of Religious Organizations, the Service Club for the Blind, the St. Louis Society for Crippled Children.

Brownell Requested To Investigate Import Of Daggers With Swastika

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Attorney General Herbert Brownell was informed by Adolph Held, National Chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee which represents more than 500,000 Jewish workers in the AFL and CIO, that American firms had imported daggers bearing the Nazi emblem and had offered them as "war souvenirs." The daggers, Mr. Held wrote Brownell, were manufactured in 1954 in the Ruhr, Germany.

The existence of the factory had been discovered by the German Metal Workers Union who, in turn, informed the International Association of Machinists-AFL. Both unions, through international representatives, received confirmation from the Allied High Commissioner that control laws were being violated by the manufacturers and the assurance that the production of the hundreds of thousands of daggers already on order from American firms would be immediately stopped.

Dr. DeVorkin Chapter To Elect Officers

Officers will be nominated and elected at the regular meeting of the Dr. DeVorkin Chapter, City of Hope, Thursday, November 18, at 1:00 p. m. at the YMHA. Mrs. Frieda Mushlin is the nominating chairman and Mrs. M. Jacks is president of the chapter.

AJC Will Cooperate With Synagogue Groups

The American Jewish Committee made public last Wednesday an official statement on cooperation with synagogue groups, as approved by its Executive Committee, AJC's top governing body.

After commenting favorably on the increased influence of religion on American society, it notes the "great share of Jewish religious bodies in this enrichment."

"We welcome and respect," continued the statement, "the conscientious efforts of our rabbis and synagogue bodies, in cooperation with

other religious and civic leadership, to improve relations among all sections of the American people. We are mindful that our synagogue groups recognize that their responsibility for our spiritual life carries with it an obligation to strengthen intergroup understanding, thus implementing the teachings of Judaism."

Noting that the AJC has dealt with problems of discrimination for nearly a half-century the statement welcomed the participation of religious bodies in this endeavor.

The statement concludes, "We stress the need for mutual recognition and respect. An effective Jewish contribution to Christian-Jewish relations can best be achieved by whole-hearted cooperation between the rabbinate and the synagogue bodies, on the one hand, and organizations like the American Jewish Committee on the other."

U. S. Intervenes With Spain Over Restrictions Of Jewish Worship

The State Department has disclosed that it intervened with the Spanish Government over the restrictions imposed on Jewish religious worship in Madrid last month during the observance of the Jewish New Year, it was announced by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress.

In a telegram to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles on Oct. 5, the American Jewish Congress had called upon the State Department to use its "good offices" with the Spanish authorities to permit the religious services.

The State Department reply to Dr. Goldstein reported that "on behalf of a group of Americans of Jewish faith, the American Embassy in Madrid has taken up with the Spanish Foreign Ministry the matter of the recent restrictions on religious services. The reason given by the Spanish Government for its action was that if permission were granted in this instance the way would be open for other religious groups to request similar privileges."

"While it is extremely difficult for our Government to do more than to make representations in matters under the jurisdiction of other sovereign governments," the State Department letter continued, "you may be assured that the American Embassy in Madrid follows closely all cases involving freedom of worship in Spain and will continue to be of what assistance it can in this delicate matter."

To Review Plays For B'nai El Sisterhood Today

Rabbi Julian H. Miller will give play reviews of "A Tale of Chelm by Sholom Aleichem, and "Bontche Schweig" by I. L. Peretz from the production "The World of Sholom Aleichem," now playing in New York, at the B'nai El Sisterhood meeting today, Nov. 15, at the B'nai El Temple, Delmar at Clara.

The musical background will be provided by Manuel Finger, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Manuel Finger.

A "Dessert Tea," at 12:30 p. m. will precede the program which is scheduled for 1:00 p. m. There is no charge and the public is invited.

B'nai B'rith Girls Group Chapter Sponsors Party

The Chaim Weizmann Chapter of the B'nai B'rith Girls Group, Clayton, will sponsor a card party at the Wellston Community Center, 1903 Hodiament Ave., Wednesday, November 17, at 7:30 p. m., to raise funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, which is holding its national fund-raising campaign this month.

Miss Florence Covitz, who is advisor to the group made up of eight 14-year-old girls, said that

tickets were available at her address, 5937 Page.

The funds raised will be used to further research in the cause and cure of muscular dystrophy, a crippling disease which attacks the muscles, leaving the victim unable to move.

The card party is part of the over-all effort to raise funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, which has a local organization in St. Louis.

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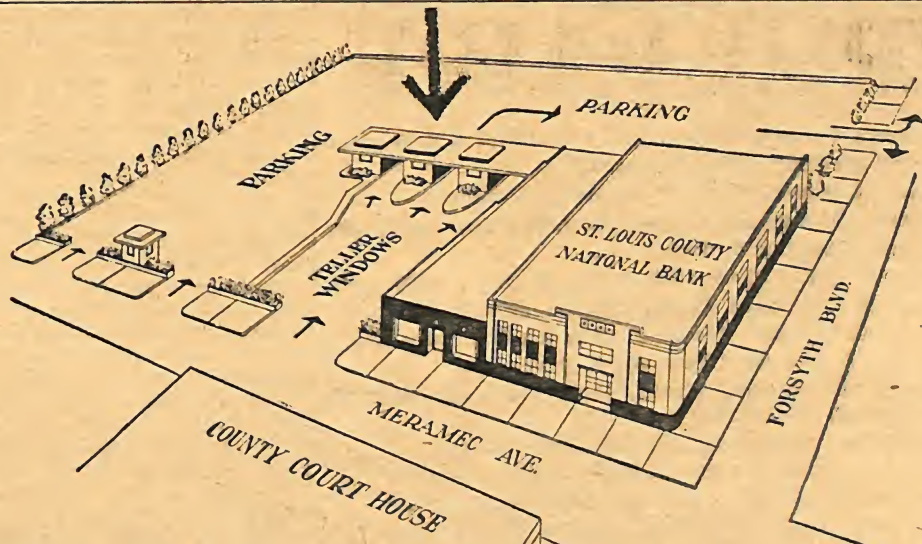
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Believe Or Else . . .

A doctor who "denies the existence of the Supreme Being" has no right to practice medicine; such are the words of Dr. Elmer Hess, president-elect of the American Medical Association. The question arises, "whose" Supreme Being? As defined by Dr. Hess? . . . The American Medical Association? . . . America? . . . Russia?

Once Dr. Hess has defined his Supreme Being, we would be interested to learn by which tolerant method he intends to enforce his definition. Will he apply it only to the Western hemisphere, or also to the Orient and other areas where belief in a Supreme Being might escape Dr. Hess' definition?

Dr. Hess' statement has no validity whatsoever. Today, Dr. Hess denies the right (probably it is the moral right he is talking about) to doctors; tomorrow, he might assume that a patient who denies the existence of a Supreme Being is not entitled to medical care. Such a survival of the medically cared for would assure a population composed of members of the American Medical Association who believe in Dr. Hess' Supreme Being.

To apply a yardstick of religion to the right to practice medicine—or any other profession—is against the interest not only of the medical profession, but, more important, against the interest of the nation as a whole. Jewish groups zealously guard the separation of church and state. The same logic applies to medicine.

It is regrettable that individuals in such policy-making positions hold such asinine views.

CALENDAR OF CURRENT EVENTS

(Listings must arrive at the office of the Jewish Star by Wednesday the week prior to publication. Phone PA. 1-2055. The Jewish Star accepts no responsibility for erroneous information forwarded.)

- Nov. 15 B'nai El Sisterhood Dessert Tea, B'nai El Temple, 12:30 p. m., program at 1:00 p. m.
- Nov. 15 American Jewish Committee presents Dr. Rosenkranz, Shaare Emeth Temple, 8:15 p. m.
- Nov. 15 Tpheris Israel Sisterhood package party at Tpheris Israel, 1:00 p. m.
- Nov. 15 Temple Israel Sisterhood, Temple Israel House, 1:30 p. m.
- Nov. 15 United Hebrew Temple Ladies' Aid Society, 225 S. Skinker, 12:00 noon.
- Nov. 15 B'nai B'rith Men's Council of St. Louis, Chase Hotel, 8:00 p. m.
- Nov. 16 A. D. L. Council Meeting, Hillel House, 8:00 p. m.
- Nov. 16 Emmer Memorial Amvet Post 34, Women's Auxiliary.
- Nov. 16 Jewish Children's Home Ladies' Auxiliary, YMHA, 1:00 p. m.
- Nov. 16 Pioneer Women Chapter 3, 1:00 p. m.
- Nov. 16 United Hebrew Temple Men's Club, United Hebrew, 8:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Tpheris Israel P.T.A. Card Party, Tpheris Israel, 8:00 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Council of Jewish Women, Victorian Club West, 12:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 B'nai B'rith Mo. Lodge 22, Chase Hotel, 1:00 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Chaim Weizmann Chapter, B.B.G., Card Party at Wellston Community Center, 7:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Jewish Sanatorium Auxiliary, YMHA, 12:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 O.R.T. Women's American of St. Louis, 12:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Pioneer Womens Org. of St. Louis No. 1, YMHA, 1 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Pioneer Womens Org. of St. Louis No. 2, 8:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 Warshaver Aid Society, Ladies Auxiliary, Tpheris Israel, 8:30 p. m.
- Nov. 17 B'nai El teaching staff faculty supper.
- Nov. 17 B'nai B'rith Women No. 139, Kings-Way Hotel, 8:00 p. m.
- Nov. 18 Conference of Jewish Organizations, YWHA, 9:30 a. m.
- Nov. 18 DA. De Vorkin Chapter; at YMHA, 1:00 p. m.
- Nov. 18 JWV No. 127, Kings-Way Hotel, 8:30 p. m.
- Nov. 18 JWV No. 127, Ladies Aux., Kings-Way Hotel, 8:30 p. m.
- Nov. 19 Women's Division of State of Israel Bonds, Operlogne, Chase Club, 12 noon.
- Nov. 20 USO Dance, YMHA, 8-11:00 p. m.
- Nov. 21 P.T.H.O. Father's Night, Agudath Achim Synagogue, East St. Louis, Ill. 7:30 p. m.
- Nov. 21 Young Adults group of Temple Israel, installation dance, Temple Israel, 8-12:00 p. m.
- Nov. 21 USO Brunch, YMHA, 11:00 a. m.-5:00 p. m.
- Nov. 21 Sherei Thilim, Ladies' Auxiliary, 537 De Baliviere, Tea, 2 p. m. to 11 p. m.—Everyone welcome.
- Nov. 21 Temple Israel Young Adult Group installation of officers, Temple Israel, 6:00 p. m.
- Nov. 21 Liberal Forum; Senator Morse at YMHA.

Gives Welfare Luncheon Legion Auxiliary

The Jerome L. Goldman American Legion Auxiliary No. 96 will give a luncheon and card party on Saturday, Nov. 20th, 1954, at 12 noon. The luncheon and card party will be held at the Jerome Goldman

Home, 5470 Delmar Blvd. The benefits derived from the card party are to be used for the rehabilitation and child welfare work which the Auxiliary does for veterans and veterans' children announced Mrs. A. Razeper, chairman.

**P.E.C. ANNUAL DINNER
HONORS JACOB BLAUSTEIN**



A testimonial dinner in honor of Jacob Blaustein, Honorary President of the American Jewish Committee, will be tendered by the Palestine Economic Corporation on Wednesday, December 8th, at the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, New York, it was announced by Ernest Nathan, Executive Vice-President of the P.E.C. A well-known industrialist and Jewish leader who served for five years as President of the American Jewish Committee and as Chairman of its Executive Committee for six years, Mr. Blaustein will be honored for his lasting contributions to the economic development of the State of Israel, and for his "dedicated service to Jewry and all humanitarian undertakings."

The Rabbi's Pulpit

(Views expressed in this column are not necessarily those of the editor. The "Rabbi's Pulpit" offers a platform to all St. Louis Rabbis who are invited to take advantage of this space.)

**Sabbath-Conscious Or
Sabbath-Observant?**

By Rabbi Zalman F. Ury, Superintendent of the H. F. Epstein Hebrew Academy.

On November 1, 1954 Rabbi Jerome W. Grollman, Associate Rabbi, United Hebrew Temple, wrote in this column of the sanctity of the Sabbath.

I must confess that at first I was quite surprised to see a reform Rabbi, discuss such an "old fashioned" subject as the Sabbath. However, after reading the article I found out that Rabbi Grollman actually followed the established reform line in treating this matter. May I therefore be forgiven for suspecting a reform Rabbi of writing about the Sabbath per se.

Rabbi Grollman brings us the good tidings that "Our Christian neighbors are becoming increasingly conscious of the sanctity of the Sabbath." Surely this is genuine reform language. Reform Judaism has been constantly trying

to "discover" the Jewishness of Christianity and the "Goyishkai" of Judaism.

As an orthodox Rabbi I am certainly happy to note that our gentle neighbors respect our holidays. But, when discussing a major Jewish religious issue there is no relationship between the problem and outside forces.

This reform attitude of depending, imitating and watching our fellow citizens of other faiths, even in religious matters is certainly an outcome of feelings of inferiority. But this is a subject by itself and we shall return to it at another occasion.

An now to the point. How can a reform Rabbi speak of consciousness of the holiness of the Sabbath? How much of it is there left to the reform Jew and his Rabbi? Why complain about Jews who shop on Friday nights, etc., when it is the

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STAR NEWS ROUNDUP

LARSON SEPARATION OF CHURCH-STATE CASE HELD MOOT, APPEAL PLANNED

A controversial separation of church-state case has been ruled moot by an Illinois Circuit Court judge, but the case will be appealed to the State Supreme Court. Judge Bernard Decker ruled that the case, brought by Mrs. John K. Larson of the small northern Illinois community of Johnsbury, was no longer an issue. Mrs. Larson had charged that the local public school was in fact a parochial school supported by public funds and that her children, forced by law to attend, were being indoctrinated by Roman Catholic nuns teaching in the school. Judge Decker's decision did not vindicate the defendant school directors on Mrs. Larson's charge of illegal sectarian practice at the Johnsbury school. The court held that because the defendants claim to have discontinued these practices after the suit was filed, there is no controversy left for it to decide.

THE "CAINE MUTINY" IN HEBREW

TEL AVIV—(ISI) Two translations of American plays were presented in Tel Aviv theaters last week. They were, "The Caine Mutiny Court Martial" by Herman Wouk and "The Man Who Came To Dinner" by George Kaufman and Moss Hart.

AGENCIES TO DISCUSS ON JOB EQUALITY

Job equality and the Jewish Worker will be the subject of trail-blazing conference of officials of public and Jewish agencies to be held in Boston tomorrow. Nine of the twelve state fair employment agencies will be represented, as well as the seven municipal commissions. This will be the first time that public agencies meet in national conference with Jewish experts to discuss problems of anti-Jewish bias in employment.

Letters To The Public

"... the community speaks"

**RESIGNS FROM BOARD
OF JEWISH EDUCATION**

When I accepted the membership on the Board of Jewish Education, I had a naive conception that the Jewry of this community set up a board to minister to the cultural needs of the entire Jewry. Instead, I find the emphasis to be on traditionalism.

While I have no quarrel with the spiritual education and recognize its importance; it seems to me, and I think, to many more Jews that the majority of our children would benefit more from a program designed to understand better the present situation of our role as Jews in local, national and international situations, a program that should prepare our children to be able to absorb the new cultural and idealistic emanations from the state of Israel. In spite of those obvious facts our system of education has not changed its conception of what is important.

The other day I spoke to a boy of about 13 years of age, a diligent student of Hebrew lore, who attends the Yeshiva and the Academy. I asked him if he could pick up a Hebrew newspaper and read it. His answer was negative. Knowing, as I do, the personnel of the Board, I came to the conclusion that I cannot muster enough strength or sympathy within this body to promulgate my views on the subject; but as I feel the neces-

sity for changes and the need to speak freely, I tendered my resignation to the Board in order not to embarrass it.

I open this letter to the St. Louis Jewry in order to try to generate enough interest to do something about it. I would like to see enough individuals interested in the idea to give their comments and if possible to set up a committee to study ways and measures of possible re-orientation.

I. KAMMER,

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A PLEASURE

Editor, Jewish Star:

It was a genuine pleasure to read "Unity Within Diversity. Realized at Brandeis University," which appeared in the November 1st issue of your paper.

I am sure you will be happy to know that many of our members called and all the comments were most favorable. An article of this caliber means so much to the growth of our local Chapter, as well as better acquainting the general public with the principles and concepts of Brandeis University.

I want you to know that we are deeply grateful for your interest and cooperation.

(MRS. HARREY E.) DOROTHY LIEBERMAN, President, St. Louis Chapter, The National Women's Committee of Brandeis University.

THANKS WORKERS

Editor, Jewish Star:

Now that the election returns are complete, I would like to take this opportunity, through the good offices of your newspaper, to thank all my friends, neighbors, and everyone who worked so diligently in the campaign. Without their help, my successful election could not have been obtained.

Chaim H. Zimbalist

**Dr. Rosenkranz To Give
Six Lectures For American
Jewish Committee**

"The Concept of God" will be the subject of an address by Dr. Sam Rosenkranz for the American Jewish Committee at a meeting at Shaare Emeth Temple on Monday evening November 15, 8:15 p. m.

This is the first in a series of six lecture discussion meetings on subjects of interest to Jews in the modern world to be given by Dr. Rosenkranz for the American Jewish Committee.

Dates for the subsequent lectures are: December 6, January 10, January 31, February 28, and March 21.

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A PROUD RECORD

On November 13, 1946, Leon Jick, now Assistant Rabbi of Temple Israel, Boston, became the first president of the Hillel Student Foundation, 6142 Pershing. Since then more than 10,000 Jewish students have entered through the doors of the Hillel House, and enjoyed, participated and contributed in the rich cultural and social life of this center.

The St. Louis Foundation, under the directorship of Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs, was founded eight years ago by the National Hillel Foundation, in cooperation with the local B'nai B'rith Organization, the local Rabbis and the Jewish Federation of St. Louis. The first president of the Advisory Board, made up of

prominent and interested St. Louisans, Herman Willer, is now a member of the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of St. Louis.

Characteristic of the Board is its stability and flexibility. Five of the members pictured above have been active since Hillel's inception, while four have joined recently. While the interest of members continues over the years, the newcomers are testimony to the opportunity for creative service which membership on the Board offers.

Hillel activities include religious, cultural, social, community welfare, interfaith, and personnel counseling. Nancy Elbaum, a Junior in Liberal Arts, has recently been elected president of Hillel's executive com-

mittee. Her committee includes Aleene Schneider, vice-president; Bennett Lerner, vice-president; Mike Sander, corresponding secretary; Fran Greenberg, recording secretary; Hans Oberdorfer, treasurer; and Radine Kostman, social chairman.

The National Hillel Foundation has recently expanded and opened a House in the City of London. "From these new units we not only hope to gain new perspective which will enrich the work that Hillel is carrying on in the American continent, but we also look forward to the fruitful results which inevitably must proceed from the linking of three great Jewish communities in a common educational venture," declared Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, national Hillel director, commenting on the inclusion of England in the Hillel picture which so far had only covered America and Israel.

Activities, such as are planned from November 11 to 24, typify the manifold aspects of participation Hillel offers: Chorus rehearsals, a book review by Ruth Schlafman, the birthday party, an elementary Hebrew class, meeting of the social action committee, a course in basic Judaism, taught by Rabbi Jacobs, meeting of the drama group, a student council meeting—all topped by a Tercentenary Sabbath on November 24 mark Hillel's Calendar of Events.

A novel discussion series "Guys and Dolls" on boy-girl relationships under the leadership of Sidney Hurwitz, professional caseworker of the Jewish Family Service Agency, will also start shortly.

Hillel's "Eighth Birthday Ball" celebrated last night at W. U. Student Center, was attended by Ethan A. H. Shepley, Chancellor of Washington University, and "Sonny" Fox, "The Finder."

The St. Louis Hillel Student Foundation covers Washington University, St. Louis University, and Harris Teachers' College. "We expect an increase of one thousand Jewish students at Washington University per year within the next six years," pointed out Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs. The drop from a high of 1,700 in 1946 to 700 today is characteristic of national enrollment,

HILLEL IN ACTION

(LEFT) Part of a huge crowd listening attentively during the program at Hillel's "Get Acquainted Dance" at Temple Israel House last September 26. More than 300 students attended the opening event in Hillel's fall program.

(CENTER)

Executive Committee of the Advisory Board of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at Washington University. Seated, l. to r.: Robert Shampaigne; Mrs. Hyman C. Weisman; Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs, Director; Harold Greenberg, president; Curtis L. Mann, secretary; Morris Glaser, vice-president; Dr. Charles S. Rosen, treasurer. Standing at rear are past-presidents: Robert L. Aronson, 1952-54; Herman Willer, 1946-48; Paul Rothschild, 1950-52; Milton Marcus, 1947-49. Absent past-president: Sidney Strauss, 1949-50.

(RIGHT)

Miss Esther Rothman directs a practice session of the Hillel Chorus. Sheldon Solomon is the Hillel Chorus director. The chorus has on its agenda at this time participation in the annual Chanuka festival at Graham Memorial Chapel, W. U., on Dec. 8; at the Mo. Lodge Youth Night Program, Jan. 20; and over the American Jewish Hour at a spring program devoted to Hillel. Pictured are Mimi Lipkind, accompanist, Ralph Heimberg, and Sheldon Solomon (to the rear); (seated left to right): Ruth Schlafman, Fran Greenberg, Jack Solomon, Ed Henschel, Irene Reif, Marcia Bamburger and Mae Ziglin. (second row left to right): Devorah Feir, Rachel Don, Jessica Feder, Flora Zellinger, Jackie Goldman and Larry Rogul.

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RABBI'S PULPIT

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very reform movement which destroyed the belief in the authority of the Torah and our sages who made the Sabbath holy.

And what does it mean I pray you, that our neighbors are "conscious" of the Sabbath's sanctity when Jews themselves aren't even expected to believe in such a thing?

The Sabbath as any other part of Jewish life cannot be tailored to suit anyone's particular needs. It's either accepted in full as sanctioned by the Divine Law and as codified by Maimonides and other law-makers or it's rejected completely. It's tragic and ironic perhaps that the same people who take out the very soul and essence of the Sabbath expect it to continue living and existing. For it takes more than supercilious and ceremonial Sabbath customs or a mere consciousness to keep the Sabbath Holy; it takes actual Sabbath observance i.e. Shmiras Shabos.

which shows a similar decline for which the depression and the low birth rate of two decades ago are blamed. "However, a gigantic increase of students in universities demands serious study of expansions to accommodate the onrush. These estimates are based on statistics of children attending public and secondary schools," explained Rabbi Jacobs. Hillel, too, is considering the increase in its overall plans.

By 1960 approximately another 8 to 10,000 will have become Hillel members. In its impact upon the local community few young adult organizations can match Hillel. Hillel and its director, Rabbi Jacobs, have gained a place of respect and admiration in the local community.

It is high time for the leaders of reform Judaism to realize how far they have removed themselves from the original Judaism. It is a healthy sign perhaps that reform Rabbis find out that something is wrong with our religious life. However, they shouldn't stop there; they ought to look for the sources of this evil, and I believe that they won't have to wait long before discovering it.

Our reform brothers need to remember the eternal message of the prophet Elijah "Until when will you step on two thresholds? If God is the Lord follow him and if someone else is the Lord follow then him."

Yet, I sincerely feel that there is much merit in Rabbi Grollman's article.

There are two kinds of Sabbath observance namely, individually and publicly. The same thing applies to the desecration of the Sabbath. The public desecration of the Sabbath is considered a much graver offense than the one of an individual.

We note with regret that many St. Louis Jewish institutions and organizations arrange various meetings and activities on Saturdays.

It was, therefore, significant and praiseworthy that Rabbi Grollman called on Jewish organizations and their members to stop desecrating the Sabbath.

May I join in calling on all St. Louis Jewish institutions and organizations to stop disregarding the sanctity of the Sabbath and discontinue all work and activities on Saturdays.

Many Jewish communities in the U. S. have already stopped all sorts of public violations of the holiness of the Sabbath. Must St. Louis lag behind?

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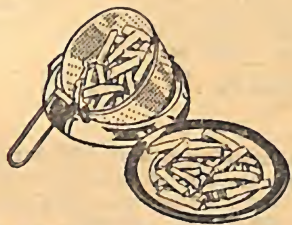
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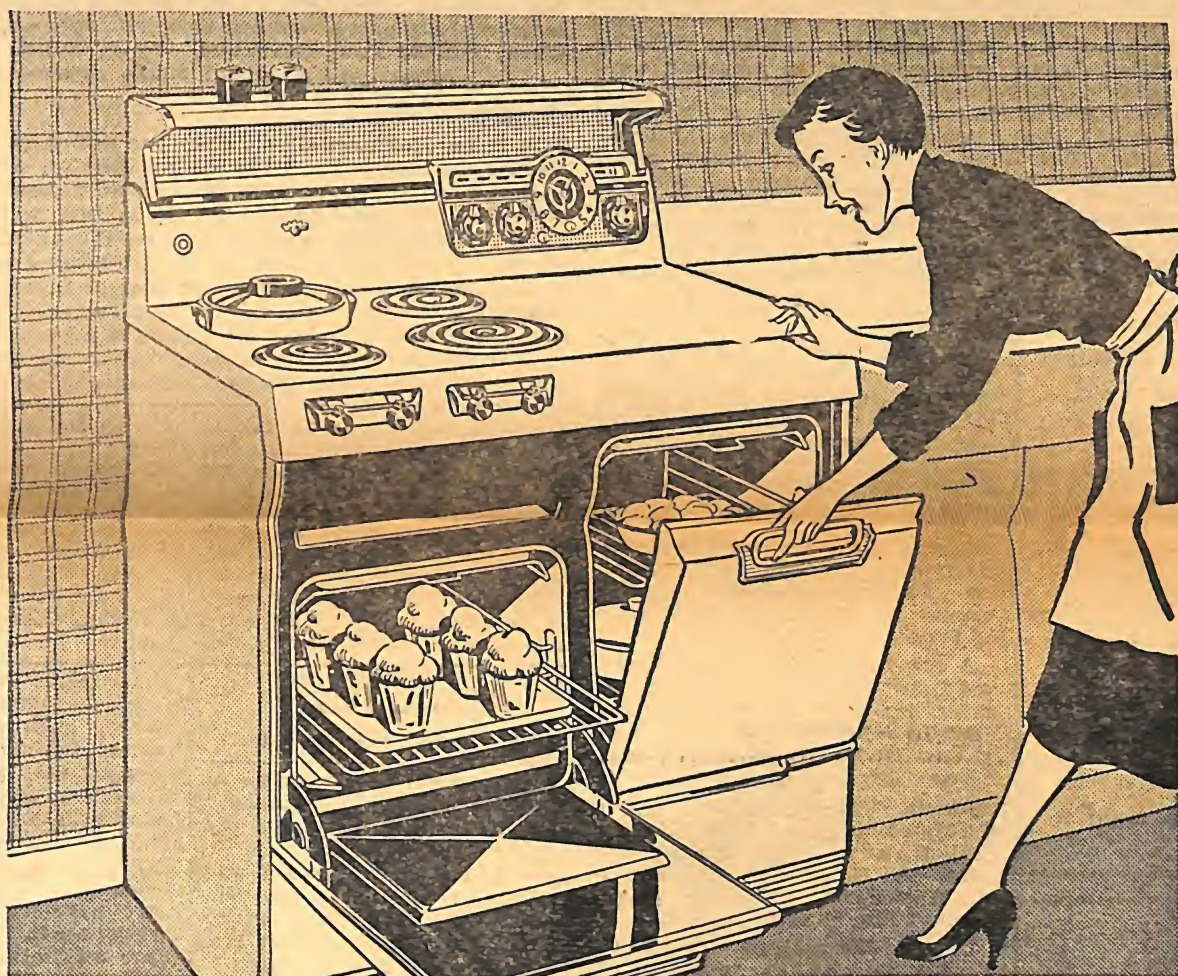
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Meyer K. Weil President Of Columbian Club

Meyer K. Weil has been elected president of the Columbian Club, it was announced today, after an annual meeting of the membership. Joseph Fischer has been elected Vice-President, Harry Epstein, secretary, and Joseph Floret, treasurer.

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YOU and YOUR CHILD

By Abraham J. Simon, Ph. D.,
Executive Director, Jewish Child Welfare Association of St. Louis

Unless I receive some strong expressions to the contrary, I am leaving the subject of sex education for children for a while. To illustrate again my statement that



Dr. Simon

there are uniquely Jewish child rearing problems, I am developing in this column the subject of eating habits. Students of present-day American Jewish culture deplore the clear and obvious social fact that our eating customs and food habits are unique traits by which we are distinguished from other ethnic groups. "Kosher" is no longer a religious practice, but a social one. For this reason we observe Orthodox rabbis denouncing the concept of "Kosher style" inasmuch as current social practices of Jews are in violation of religious ritualistic practices.

Specially processed forms of herring, chopped liver, fish, meats, corned beef, salami, and other uniquely prepared delicatessens, and certain kinds of breads, rolls and dairy products are to be found only in neighborhoods with heavy concentrations of Jewish populations. There is also a particularly passionate emotional tone exuded by Jewish individuals when these food stuffs are observed or served. The attitude of a Jew towards his Jewishness may often be inferred from his reactions to such foods. While Jewish culturists may feel that this is low class or vulgar, and that our culture would have a more dignified status if it was typified by distinctly Jewish art, literature, drama, or music, the social scientist takes his evidence where he observes it. Napoleon hit a crucial spot when he decided that an army marches on its stomach. Others have decided that man is what he eats, and the best way to a man's heart is through his stomach. Therefore, if you want to raise your children to be comfortable as Jews, in addition to all the more obvious admonitions, serve "Jewish" foods and enjoy them passionately.

Not only in the specific types of food but in the quality or intensity of affect about hunger and its satisfaction do we find a special Jewish set of attitudes. In that fascinating book, "Life Is With People," two social scientists note that among Jews of East Europe an aversion amounting to phobia exists on the subject of hunger. People eat not because they feel hunger, but to avoid that feeling. People also eat all the time. Particularly towards children is this expressed. Prominently displayed are forced or pressured feeding, preparation and serving of special foods to meet individual tastes within a family and the immediate offering of food as a stimulant or antidote for body weakness. There is much preoccupation with the eating process, great anxiety if the volume of intake diminished, coupled with intense satisfaction if the volume increases, irrespective if the increase is voluntary or involuntary. More recently, with the younger generation taking over the values of the majority culture, a cocktail or a highball tends to replace a plate of food as the first gesture of hospitality. But children remain unaffected by such changes in customs. Their bodies are never permitted to experience hunger, and parents experience exaggerated anxieties on that score. With that as a weapon, the child can literally transform the dining room into a

battlefield as the bomb: "I am not hungry" is hurled and the parents reel under the attack.

Or else the child fights a cagey rear guard delaying action, enjoying the hurricane of which he is the peaceful and quiet "eye", nibbling, picking, and dawdling over the food while action and drama seethes over his head.

There is no doubt that Jewish parents have more anxiety and encounter more difficulties than most others feeding their children. For their children hunger is so rare an experience! Food tastes and fads are so much more elaborate. As adults we suffer so much more impressively from disorders of the gastro-intestinal system and obesity, based on over-eating and improper eating. It will be important to see how these are induced socially in us as children by the way we manage the eating habits of children.

Mrs. Norman Mathless To Be Hostess To Pioneer Women

Mrs. Norman Mathless will be hostess to members of Chapter No. 3 of the Pioneer Women's Organization at her home, 545 Warder, University City, Tuesday, November 16, at 1:00 p. m.

Mrs. Louis Rabushka as chairman of the afternoon will M. C. a "This is your Life" program.

PACKAGE PARTY AT TIPHERIS ISRAEL

The Sisterhood of Tpheris Israel Congregation will hold an annual package party on Monday, November 15 at 1:00 p. m. at Tpheris Israel, 6912 Delmar. Mrs. Rebecca Agress is the chairman. The president, Mrs. Flora Langsan, extended an invitation to everyone.

Rabbi Friedman To Speak At Gordon Memorial Service



RABBI HERBERT A. FRIEDMAN

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, of Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jershurun, Milwaukee, Wisc., will be the next guest speaker of the Gordon Memorial Services at the Shaare Emeth Temple, Friday evening, Nov. 19. His subject will be "In The Valley of Decision."

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman was born in New Haven, Conn., in 1918. He was graduated from Yale University in 1938 and from the Jewish Institute of Religion in 1944, where he was a student of the late Dr. Stephen S. Wise. He holds the degrees of B.A. and M.H.L.

He served overseas with the Army of Occupation in Germany, first in Bavaria and later in Berlin, where he conducted the first public Passover Seder to be held in that city in 14 years. He was appointed as deputy to Rabbi Philip Bernstein, who was Advisor on Jewish affairs to the Commanding Generals of Germany and Austria. Rabbi Friedman was in every DP camp in Germany and Austria, visited Poland, Italy, France and many other countries where Jewish DPs were quartered.



Last Sunday, basketball made its debut for the season at the YMHA in the form of a preseason warm-up tournament. In the four games played, last year's Champion Atoms No. 1 nipped the Rangers, Atoms No. 2 defeated the Seahawks, the Achins won over the Silents, and the Rebels beat Pi Lambda Phi.



Hank Morris

In the outstanding game of the afternoon the Atoms No. 1 team came from behind in the last quarter to win over the Rangers, 69 to 66. The game was won from the foul line with the Atoms hitting 25 times to their opponents 16, although they were outscored from the field 25 to 22. There were a total of fifty fouls called in the hard-fought game, 25 against each team.

Hank Holtzman put on the top performance of the afternoon for the losing Rangers scoring 29 points while holding the Atoms' six foot six inch center, Shep Smith, to 11. Bob Loddeke was the big gun for the winners hitting for 22 tallies, 10 of them coming in the decisive last

period. Jerry Bader pitched in with 19 points for the losers.

The Atoms No. 2 team also won their game by cashing in at the free-throw line. The Seahawks totaled two more field goals but finished at the short end of a 58 to 52 score. Milford Schneiderman led the winners balanced attack with 16 points while Buddy Brown and Don Carafail added 13 each. Joe Zelson was the high scorer for the Seahawks with 17.

The Achins came through in an overtime period to whip the St. Louis Silents, 56-48. The victors scored eight times in the extra frame while holding their opposition scoreless. Sid Flateau and Ben Goldman scored an even dozen points apiece for the winners while Bob Lee tallied 18 for the Silents.

The Rebels won a close one from Pi Lambda Phi 36 to 33 on the strength of Marty Heligman's 9 points in the final period. He led the scoring with a total of 13, three more than his teammate Joe Hupert and Larry Sanders of Pi Lam.

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GREENHOUSE, JOSEPH, November 5, 1954, husband of Birdie Silberstein Greenhouse, father of Dr. Jerome and Burton Greenhouse. Funeral from Berger Memorial.

WOLFF, CARRIE G., November 10, 1954, sister of Abe Wolff and the late Pauline Levy. Funeral from the Rindskopf Chapel.

SATZ, FRIEDA, November 10, 1954, widow of the late Sam Satz, mother of Mrs. Jean Pollack, Mrs. Rose Mack, Mrs. P. B. Radloff. Funeral from the Berger Memorial.

FOX, LOUIS, November 9, 1954, husband of Anna Fox, father of Kenneth Fox, brother of Mrs. Yetta Klearman, Harry, Mike, Jack, Simon and the late Ben Fox. Funeral from the Berger Memorial.

SILVERMAN, MINNIE KLA-MEN, November 9, 1954, wife of Sam Silverman, mother of Mrs. Anita Green, Mrs. Pearl Slate, Mrs. Evelyn Blitz, Mrs. Emily Masters and Helen Silverman. Funeral from the Berger Memorial.

KWIATEK, SAM, November 11, 1954, husband of Shirley Tama Kwiatek, father of Mrs. Elsie Pultman, Mrs. Pauline Rose, Sidney, Stanley and Jack Kwiatek, brother of Jake Bloom of New York City. Funeral from Berger Memorial.

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KEEPING ACTIVE

Mr. Ernst Maple, a member of the Board of Trustees of United Hebrew Congregation, was selected as Worshipful Master of St. Louis Lodge No. 20 of the Masonic Order.

Mrs. Ben Weinbach and Mrs. Paul Schreiber of Shaare Emeth Religious School Faculty have been invited to give an In-Service Training Course to the Religious School teachers of Southern Illinois. Mrs. Schreiber is connected with the Primary Department, and Mrs. Weinbach with the Intermediate and Senior Departments.

Mrs. Ben Schneider of 6317 Clayton Road held a luncheon at her home Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 12 o'clock. A Buffet Dinner Party was held Wednesday, November 20 by Mrs. Morris Waldman, at her home, 1119 W. Partridge at 6 o'clock.

HONORED

Robert Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Schneider, was recently selected one of the three winners at the St. Louis Model United Nations General Assembly.

Recently, on Sunday morning at the regular service at Grace Methodist Church, Rabbi Samuel Thurman on behalf of his congregation presented to the Minister, Dr. Wesley Hager, as a token of neighborly good will and fellowship, the specially cast medal commemorating the Tercentenary of the Jewish set-

tlement in America. Dr. Hager had spoken from the pulpit of United Hebrew Temple on several previous occasions.

FELICITATIONS!

The following couples have recently announced their engagement: Martha Bass of Memphis, Tennessee to Robert Kohn; Arleen Martin to Philip Goodwillig; June Edith Wolff to Bernard Keisch of Brooklyn, New York; Bonnie Beverly Gelber to Alan Charles Lander; and Selma Schwartz to Irvin Alper.

Wedding bells rang for: Erlene Steinberg and David Rich; and Bernice Goldberg and Raymond Marcus.

Newborn are: Irl Stephen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Friedman; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Larmor (nee Nancy Russack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Russack of Miami Beach, Florida, and granddaughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Samuel J. Russack); Bernard Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fields; William S. Schwab, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Schwab, Jr.; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Rimmel; Carolyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Komm; Richard Jay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sid Frager; a son to Mr. and Mrs. William Wasserman, children of Dr. and Mrs. Henry E. Rosenberg; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. R. Nelson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wolff; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hankin; and a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. Balk. A daughter, Alice Joy, to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Finkelstein have recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

ORT CELEBRATES 75th ANNIVERSARY

Local Chapter To Honor Nathan Gould.

O.R.T. (Organization for Rehabilitation Through Training) will celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary as the only complete vocational training program for underprivileged and displaced Jews on Wednesday, November 17. Nathan Gould, national executive director of Women's American Ort, will address the local County, Friendship and Central Chapters at the Tiara Room, Park Plaza Hotel, following a tea.

The 75th anniversary can look back upon a humble beginning in Petersburg, Russia, in 1880. Its principal purpose at that time was to combat anti-Semitism by facilitating the assimilation of Jewish people into the industrial life of Russia.

Since then ORT had spread around the globe. The challenge in



Machine shop students at the ORT Vocational Center in Jerusalem looked up not long ago to see, examining their work and asking questions about it, Israel's President Ben Zvi. After leaving the workshops he declared: "Blessed be the initiators and organizers of this work and may they see the fruits of their labors." For its trade education programs in Israel, North Africa, Iran and Western Europe, ORT receives funds from the Joint Distribution Committee, a member agency of the UJA.



NATHAN GOULD

Africa has been among the most recent and urgent problems facing ORT. The "forgotten" Jews of North Africa were discovered during the war itself. The War brought European and North African Jews together. By 1947, a general program was under way for the medical care and rehabilitation of the one-half million Jews in the area. Gradually ORT established itself and helped to break down the ghetto walls, which are not racial but economic. Anyone with financial means can breach the walls.

Take 18-year-old Gerard Salem, for example, who is living outside the ghetto now. As far back as living memory goes the Salem family has always lived behind the ancient walls.

When the disturbances came following Israel's independence it was no longer safe and three generations of Salems made the trek to Tunis. One could feel more secure among the 70,000 Jews of the city, but the way of life was the same. All 12 members of the family settled into a single airless room, without light and without water. The chain that bound them to the ghetto more surely than any edict ever had was poverty.

At first, as his brothers had done before him, it appeared his destiny to follow his father into the narrow, rutted streets as a pedler. To "supplement" the family income he took his place beside his father on the way to the synagogue to beg with a small box for alms.

But Gerard broke the age-old familiar pattern two years ago. He heard one day of a new apprentice-

ship plan that ORT had taken over, and that he was eligible. He had known boys who attended the modern ORT schools in the suburbs, but he could not meet the educational requirements. The apprenticeship program, however, was for him. His most difficult job was convincing his parents. How could they afford to have him go into a shop for only 500 francs to start, when he could make 1,500 on the streets?

Now things began to happen to Gerard. The pace of living accelerated. Three times a week, after work and Sundays, he had to rush to the ORT school where he was assigned to an electrical workshop, classes in theory, history, and Hebrew. The school became the center of his life.

The more he gave to his studies the better was his work in the shop. He learned things about the electrical trade in the classroom that the small shop could never show him. His earnings were raised. But it was at the school that a window to the world was opened to him.

Gerard acquired a sense of his own worth and a will to alter his own lot and that of his family.

There are many fewer Jewish youth wandering the streets of Tunis today. They are working, they have learned trades.

To help Jews overcome poverty and to rehabilitate them has inspired more than 1100 women in St. Louis. They are organized in four chapters, Central, County,

Friendship and Joy Poger under the regional president, Mrs. Louis Grodsky, of 7320 Chamberlain Ave.

These chapters will honor Nathan Gould, national executive director, with a dinner and reception at the Victorian Club West. Gould, formerly a free lance writer, editor, became the public relations director of Women's American ORT in 1950, some later its executive director.

"We have 360 schools in 9 different countries of the world," enthusiastically explained Mrs. Louis Grodsky, chairman of the St. Louis region, "including 18 important different trades are taught."

region, "including 18 important installations in Israel where 16 different trades are taught."

Mrs. Grodsky and the Ort members can be proud of the work.

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"Trapdoor" a fictional interpretation why a secret tunnel under the Touro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island, was built will be presented on Sunday, November 21, over station KSD-TV from 10:00 to 10:30 a. m. This is the third of four telecasts devoted to the American Jewish Tercentenary Celebration, commemorating the 300th Anniversary of the settlement of Jews in America and presented as part of the religious series "Frontiers of Faith," a public service of NBC.

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